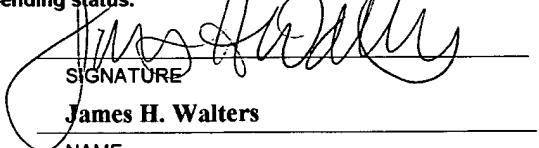


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/529418
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/012343	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 09/26/03	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 9/27/2002
TITLE OF INVENTION SUPER HARD AND TOUGH NANO-CRYSTAL AUSTENITE STEEL BULK MATERIAL WITH AN IMPROVED CORROSION RESISTANCE, AND ITS PREPARATION PROCESS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Harumatsu MIURA et al		
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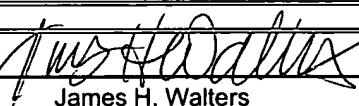
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